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From War-torn Germany.

Following is a copy of a private letter to Mr. Louis W. Scheidemantel from a cousin of his in Germany. It tells a sad story of the death and suffering of those engaged in the awful war in that country:

ALTENBURG, Nov. 24.

My Dear Cousin Louis:

This letter comes to tell you a very, very sad thing that will grieve you also a great deal. Our dear Louis is no more. He died for his "Vaterland" on the 12th of this month near Verdun. We are so desolate and comfortless, as you can imagine. Poor mother, this was too hard a blow for her. She would be able to bear it. Louis was such a good and true boy; everybody was so fond of him and his soldiers and chieftains respected him greatly, as the many letters tell us.

Aunt Mary asked me to let you know this dreadful loss. Do write to her as often as you can, for you are the only Scheidemantel now—that is, for her and my mother—in all the world.

Mother and I shall go to see her next week, as she has wanted us to come. What a sad "Wiederschen" this will be. Karl and Fritz do not know of the death of their brother. Karl is still in Mont de Maison, and is gradually recovering from his three wounds. This is the 11th week he has been there.

Poor Fritz, his fate is still unknown to us. We cannot get any news of or about him. The consul at Stockholm only told us in September that Fritz was in Orenburg. We are all so worn out with care and grief. Now that we have lost Louis our only prayer is for a safe return of the other two.

The 25th of September was supposed to be my wedding day. We put it off until the 15th of December. Now that we mourn for Louis we shall marry quietly at home on the 7th of January.

I have sent you a paper called "Weltkrieg" every fortnight; that is to say, Aunt Mary sends it to you. We are the only ones that send it away. I hope you got these papers regularly and take interest in them. They will tell you all the news of this dreadful war.

Thank you very much for putting my letter in your paper. Was very glad to see it printed, and hope American people will agree with us.

I quite forgot to tell you that Louis is buried in a place called Harville, in the church yard, and with eight other high officers. To know that he is laying in sacred earth makes us quieter, and we shall go there as soon as this war is over.

This letter also comes to wish you and your sister a happy Xmas. Mother and father send their love to you, and we hope to hear from you real soon. Love to yourself.

Your sad cousin,

MARIECHEN SCHNEIDER.

P. S.—Karl was wounded on the 8th of September near Chalons-sur-Marne. French soldiers found him unconscious in a forest, and he was taken to that place in the south of France where he is still an invalid and a prisoner.

M. S.

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To all—good-by. My task is done.
I've swung the circle of the sun.
I've given all that Life bestows.
I've dealt Fate's cards to friends, to foes.
I've touched you each with joy and care,
Drawn wrinkles here, smoothed wrinkles there.
And if I've frosted temples gray,
I've made warm lips to kiss away
The chill. Tho' Death, tho' strife
I've visited—I've granted Life.

I'm Time. I've robbed your cradle dear,
Yet I ask you—your dying Year.
Have I not filled it? Answer free,
If I've robbed you have not you cheated me?
Have not you sought to kill me—Time?
Have not you wasted me—God's gift sub-
lime?
Mispent me, mocked me, wished me on
my way,
Loathed and reviled me—prayed another
day,
And when I granted it, mocked that one,
too,
Are we not quit at even—I and you?

'Tis Kismet—Fate. Old World, good-by,
My cycle's done—I faint—I die.



Oh, World! dear World—at last my dream
is true.
Through all eternity I've longed for you,
Impatient of the years I had to wait,
Each nerve a quiver, lest I be too late.
And now I'm here—and all of you are
mine.
For my brief reign. Yet, also, I am thine.
For use—abuse—but treat me as you may.
Remember this—I'll give and take away.
And but this moment born—but half awake,
I'll tell you now what I'll both give and take.

I'll take a life from out you here and there.
I'll give—a lover true—a sweetheart fair.
Half of your fondest hopes I'll steal away,
I'll grant a grain of wisdom day by day.
And tho', perchance, I should take Peter's
all,
With lavish hands I'll shower it on Paul.
I'll smite some of you with an iron glove,
I'll nurse some others with my tenderest
love,
I'm both your queen and slave. I now
make way.
This night is yours. Tomorrow you'll repay.

Bring forth the jesters. Fill the cup of
cheer.
You've waited me forever. World, I'm
here.

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New Fountain Notes.

Despite the muddy roads many ventured out to visit near and dear relatives and friends during Christmas.

Owing to bad weather the Christmas tree and religious services in the New Fountain Methodist Church were held Friday night the 25th, instead of Christmas eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Jordan and children of Llano came down to spend the holiday's with Mrs. Jordan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dom. Riff, and family.

Chas. Britsch and family and Mrs. Gustave Britsch and daughter were here from Bandera County to spend Christmas with homefolks.

John Langford of Bandera was here one day last week. He was accompanied home by his sister, Miss Ruby, who spent Christmas with homefolks.

Ben deGroot and family of Verdina spent Christmas with relatives here and at Quibi.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Karm visited Henry Hartmann and family Sunday.

Willie Hartmann and family moved with their residence from this place to Thousand Acres, where Mr. Hartmann bought a farm from B. C. Wiemers, and, where they will in future reside.

Henry Poehler, M. Schorobiny, J. A. Breiten and Matt. Rath enjoyed a few days hunt out on the Paul Oefinger ranch, where, it is said, Mr. Rath bagged an eight prong buck. Mr. Rath will have the horns mounted and placed in his shop as an ornament.

Mr. Fred Bickenbach came out from San Antonio to join his wife and sister, Miss Lizzie Bickenbach, who are visiting the family of Mrs. Bickenbach's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Helmke.

Willie Mumme and family of San Antonio were visiting relatives in this neighborhood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moehring and daughter, Jessie, visited in our burg Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schlentz of the upper Hondo visited homefolks at Vandenberg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neitenhoefer and daughter, Ella, and Mr. and Mrs. Christian Neitenhoefer and baby visited relatives at the upper Hondo Sunday.

F. D. Muennink and family were here from Yancey visiting relatives during Christmas.

Otto Grell and sisters, Misses Sophia and Lena, spent last week with F. H. Bohlen and family.

Willie Weynand and family of D'Hanis visited F. J. Saathoff and family during the holidays.

Some fifty or sixty persons attended a Christmas tree at Dom Riff's residence Friday night and where Santa Claus distributed his presents among the little folks. A sumptuous supper was also served to all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bickenbach and Fritz Heimke spent a pleasant evening Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Poehler.

A happy and prosperous New Year to all is the wish of the writer.

New Fountain, Texas, Dec. 29, 1914.

Philathea Class Meeting.

The Philathea Class met with the Misses King on Tuesday, December 15, quite a number of the members were present, and one new member enrolled.

After the study of the lesson delicious refreshments of ambrosia, whipped cream and cake were served.

The class will meet on Tuesday, January 5th, at 3 P. M. with Mrs. Fisher King. The lesson for that time will be the first three chapters of Galatians. Members will answer roll call with verse from the lesson.

REPORTER.

Notice Share-Holders' Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the share-holders of the First National Bank of Hondo, Texas, will be held at its banking house on the second Tuesday in January, the same being the 12th day of January 1915, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

GEO. W. JONES,
President.

A Pleasant Surprise.

The young people of Thousand Acres gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Geuea Saturday night, December 11th, 1914, where they spent a delightful time in dancing and singing.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heyen, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Folk, Mr. and Mrs. George Searey and children, Mr. and Mrs. Will Pohl and children, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leinweber, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hartung; Miss Ida Wiemers, Annie Surcy, Louisa Barth and Lola Chick; Messrs. Willie Bohmfalk, Willie, Fritz and Johnnie Folk, Mimke, Otto and Bennie Wiemers, Robert and Jim Pohl, Louis Geuea, Frank Westfall, Henry and Theodore Barth.

At 12 o'clock the table was spread with delicious cakes and coffee, of which every one ate to their heart's content.

Dancing was kept up until a late hour, when "Home, Sweet Home," was played. Music was furnished by Mr. Willie Bohmfalk. The happy crowd left wishing for another jolly time soon.

ONE OF THE CROWD.

Birthday Party.

Miss Jennie Mae Dowdy celebrated her birthday by a party Wednesday, Dec. 30. The evening was spent in playing "42" "rook" and "hunch". Refreshments of chocolate and sandwiches were served.

The following were present: Misses Abbie Bradley, Bessie Brucks, Ruth Chancey, Irene Hudspeth, Goldie Hurt, Albertina Hornung, Clara and Una Gaines, Mary Kempf, Myrtle Marlin, Corine Ney, Hazel Brown, Aggie Reilly, Ruby Nowlin, Ruth Peterson, Nellie Wilson, Grace Armstrong, Lela Windrow, Messrs. Louis Brucks, Caughey Hoger, Frank and Arthur Jungman, Percy Locklin, Roland Gaines, Luther and Eric Peterson, Willie and Ralph Windrow, Albert Mercer, Joe Monkhause, William Schmitt Jr., John Carter, Whitlow Perkins, and Kyle Bradley.

A very pleasant evening was spent by all present.

Another Fire.

A small four-room house belonging to Mrs. Woolis in the south part of town, and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dulaney, was burned about eight o'clock Friday evening of last week. How the fire originated is a mystery, as the family was absent when the fire broke out and there had been no fire in the building all day to their knowledge. The flames had gained considerable headway when discovered and most of the contents as well as the building were destroyed. The loss will amount to several hundred dollars and there was no insurance.

It was only by hard work that the fire was kept away from adjoining buildings.

Notice Share-holders' Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the share-holders of the Hondo Light Power & Ice Co. of Hondo, Texas, will be held at its office on the second Wednesday in January, the same being the 13th day of January, 1915, at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

GEO. MUENNINK,
2t. President.

Notice.

Parties to whom I have extended credit are urged to come forward at once and settle. Accounts are due and I need the money. I have favored you by giving you credit and now I ask you to return the favor by settling up promptly.

Yours truly,
C. R. GAINES.

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MRS. D. A. CHIPMAN,
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Lost.

A brown mare mule about 14-hands high, branded 7 with bar under it. Finder will please notify

EMIL BENDELE,
Devine, Texas.

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From the dark and foul morass' sodden gloom,
To spread its perfume on the air,
So from humanity's most barren lot
May grow rarest, sweetest flowers;
So from even its darkest, foulest blot
May spring the most wondrous powers.
Then count no human life so mean and low,
And sunken in the slough of sin,
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—Fletcher Davis in Galveston News.

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GEORGE OGE,
Manager Woodward Ranch.

Posted.
The Peter Weynand ranch on Parker's Creek, eight miles north of D'Hanis, is posted and all hunting or trespassing thereon is forbidden under penalty of law. HENRY STIEGLER, Lessee.

Posted.
My pastures and farms are posted and all permits to hunt therein heretofore given are herewith withdrawn. Any trespassing thereon will be punished according to law.
Feb. 1 pd. GEO. H. BENDELE.

Notice.
Our pastures are posted according to law and any one found hunting or trespassing therein will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
BLACKALLER BROS.

Posted.
My pastures are posted according to law. No hunting or fishing allowed. Trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
2mo. F. L. BOEHLE.

Notice.
My pasture is posted and no trespassing is allowed. Any one found hunting therein will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
6mo. AUG. E. SCHUEHLE.

Notice.
My pasture is posted and no trespassing is allowed. Any one found hunting or fishing therein will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
G. A. GRELL. 4 12-mo.

Posted.
My pasture, known as the Jacob Reilly Ranch, is posted and all hunting, camping or trespassing is forbidden under penalty of the law.
Feb. 1, pd. L. O. JOHNSON.

Posted.
My lands in Medina County are all posted and all hunting thereon is strictly forbidden under penalty of the law.
CLAUDE W. GILLIAM

Posted.
My pastures are posted according to law and all hunters or trespassers are advised to keep out.
pd. Feb. 1. J. D. SMITH.

Posted.
My ranch is posted and all hunting or trespassing thereon is forbidden under penalty of the law.
Feb. 1 pd. JOHN FRERICH.

Posted.
My pastures are posted and all trespassing, hunting and disturbing of cattle is strictly forbidden under penalty of the law.
F. ROTHE.

Posted.
Our pastures are posted according to law. No hunting or fishing allowed therein.
NIC. AND TOBY KOCH.

Posted.
Our pastures are posted. No hunting allowed. Trespassers will be prosecuted. CHAS. GRAFF AND SONS.

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WEST BOUND
No. 7 Arrives.....1:00 P. M.
No. 9 Arrives.....11:20 P. M.
EAST BOUND
No. 10 Arrives.....7:00 P. M.
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NEW YEAR PROPHETS
By GENE MORGAN.

ANYBODY who says the world is growing less superstitious must be talking through the ear-flaps on his cap. Every year about January 1 old superstition shows itself like a hydra-headed monster in a laundry basket.
To be sure, we no longer take out insurance against ghosts, and if we saw a hobgoblin we'd want to know why the hotel bellhop had grown those whiskers. But there is one kind of superstition which we seem to be giving more encouragement all the time, and that is the New Year prophecy.

The true New Year prophet is a cheerful soul. If he ever has any good news concerning the future, he carefully nibbles at the hard ground with a pickax and buries it. Bad news, calamity, disaster, catastrophe, misfortune, these are the staple groceries in which he prefers to deal. And he has such a clever way of making good, too.

The New Year prophet wears crepe to work every morning while he is putting his forecast in order. He also wears a long, sad face and murmurs ever and anon that the worst is yet to come. He does this in order that the world may grow pale and weep and shudder. He just loves to show us a good time.

The way the New Year prophet makes good on his predictions is to promise every kind of bad luck there is, from famine to earthquake, and from plague to war. As this globe of ours has been enjoying a steady diet of these things since the year one, the New Year prophet rarely goes wrong, but just waves his painted predictions upside down and warbles, "I told you so." He is a sure-thing player, and rarely takes a chance that is not a sixty-to-one shot.

For instance, he is safe in forecasting a typhoon in the Pacific ocean, which will destroy shipping, but he wouldn't dare to predict that James Jones will pay me that ten dollars he owes me before the first of next April. He finds it advisable to foresee a famine in China—any old thing can happen in China—but under no circumstances would he venture the belief that I will surely keep all the good resolutions I made on the evening of December 30.

If I thought the pay was steady and the hours not too long for indoor work, I believe I should like to take up the work of making New Year prophecies. For the benefit of enterprising employers, looking for bright young men at this kind of work, I have made up a few sample prophecies for 1915. It makes no difference how I did it, whether by crystal gazing or by scientific methods. However, I accomplished it without the aid of a medical almanac or other weapons.

For instance, I predict that: In January the days will be a little longer, and ice will be cheap. On January 21 the coal bin will be empty, and father will chop up a parlor chair. The month of February will take only 29 days to pass a given point. The weather will be extremely unsettled, and when it is not stormy the air will be quite calm. In spite of the cold spell cherry trees will bloom around February 22 in all candy store windows.

March will come in like a lamb afraid of waking the baby, and will go out like a leonine monster who has just overheard someone say he is getting fat. Rain checks will be issued in case this condition is reversed. There will be some warm weather, which will cause optimists to throw aside their overcoats and shed their thick, prickly underwear. When the cold spell gets back on the job, fresh, frozen optimist will be one of the delicacies of the season.

April will come in with a sore foot, having kicked an opera hat which completely surrounded a brick. April will be a wet month, and early umbrella crops will be reported from many regions. Fido will here begin to shed his fur.

Now there's a prophecy which shows what I can do. To confess up, there was nothing difficult about it. For anyone can be a New Year prophet. Yes, without any previous training, or experience in sending spirit messages.

collect, instead of paying the boy your self.
It's safe to prophesize that in the year 1915, A. D., you are going to keep most of your good resolutions if you made them in an earnest, sincere, try-again spirit, instead of in the usual, automatic way, like giving a fence its annual whitewash. It's safe to forecast that you'll keep out of debt, that you'll increase your bank account and that you'll get your gilded license for health and happiness—if, instead of growing dreamy-eyed and wondering what the New Year may bring



On January 21 the Coal Bin Will Be Empty.

forth, you step out on the right foot, with your eyes to the front. Decide that when old Dame Fortune meets you you'll be plugging along the straight and narrow path, and then she won't have room to side-step you. Be your own prophet and predict a year of hard work and square living for yourself. You should worry while the professional New Year prophet is dusting off his shelf-worn stock of plague, famines, volcanic eruptions and crop failures in Helgoland.

ABE MARTIN ON NEW YEAR
Thoughts by a Philosopher About the Man Who Swears Off—Has Hard Time for a While.

Sometimes when a feller who kin drink or leave it alone gits t' lookin' back o' th' year jest closin' an' sums up all th' things he's done or undone, all th' energy an' money he's wasted an' all th' things he's missed or neglected in that regretted time, th' past looms up like a piece o' tar soap. Then he quietly resolves t' bid good-by t' th' social cup an' New Year's day, little dreamin' o' th' colossal struggle jest around th' corner.

Th' feller who has long been used t' fortifyin' himself with a stimulant on over occasion has purty tough sleddin' for a while after he swears off. Ther's th' deal o' buyin' a new hat or attendin' a banquet. Th' feller who kin drink or leave it alone allus smells like a Deer Creek distillery after he buys a new hat, an' he'll often train fer weeks when ther's a banquet ahead. Sometimes he'll set clean thro' a banquet, or at least till th' last syllable of an address on "Th' Weddin' o' th' Oceans" has died away in th' cigarette smoke.

But how a feller's whole style o' p'f-hin' changes when he once gits thoroughly established on th' water wagon an' begins t' talk natural fer th' first time since th' first baby come! How his patient wife misses his glowin' account o' th' day's earnings when he used t' stall thro' th' evening meal! How his associates miss his decided views on over question that comes up! How th' one-legged news-boy on th' corner misses his lavish generosity! How he kicks on th' grocery bill! How his waistcoat pockets bulge with segars, each one representin' a 15-cent drink that he's muffed while in th' hands o' friends, an' how his little children miss th' peppermint drops that used t' fall from his overcoat as he flung it carelessly across th' planner.

Lafe Bud says that gittin' on an off th' water wagon is th' only exercise some fellers ever git.—Abe Martin, in American Magazine.

A New Year's Wish.
To become an expert at forgetting, just to forget all the unkind acts, the deep wrongs, the mean words, the bitter disappointments—just let them go, forget them—the memory will be quick and alert to remember the things worth remembering, the mind given to beautiful things, worthwhile things, and to remember always that I am in the presence of God, this is my desire for the New Year.

Good-by, Old Year.
Peace to its ashes! Peace to its embers of burnt-out things; fears, anxieties, doubts all gone! I see them now as a thin, blue smoke hanging in the bright heavens of the past year, vanishing away into utter nothingness. Not many hopes deceived, not many illusions scattered, not many anticipations disappointed, but love fulfilled, the heart comforted, the soul enriched with affections.—Longfellow.

Help!
"Gentleman offers to exchange a Christmas present for something useful."

Sheriff's Sale.
THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF MEDINA }
Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Medina County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 7th day of November, 1914, in favor of W. E. Dickey and E. Vandlingham and against E. Benton Powers and J. R. Aiken, No. 1744 on the Docket of said Court, I did, on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M., levy upon the following described tract of land, lying and being situated in Medina County, Texas, to-wit:

Section No. 588, in the name of Pinckney & Barrow, containing 298 acres of land, belonging to the said E. Benton Powers by virtue of a vendor's lien deed from the said J. R. Aiken and located in the Southern portion of said county; and on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1915, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, at the court house door of said Medina County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said defendants, E. Benton Powers and J. R. Aiken, in and to said property.
Dated at Hondo, Texas, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1914.
J. F. BADER,
Sheriff of Medina County, Texas.

Epworth League Program.
Sunday, Jan. 3rd.
Leader, Abbie Bradley.
Song.
Lord's Prayer in concert.
Song.
Subject: "Promises of a Redeemer."
Scripture: Luke 4:16-21.
Prayer.
Song.
Talk: "The Spirit of the Redeemer," Miss Pearl Newton.
Song.
Talk: "The Result of His Work," Caughy Horger.
Talk: "Gratitude for the Gift of a Redeemer," Ruby Nowlin.
Song.
Announcements.
Benediction.

300 Acres
of uncleared land, black mesquite, seven miles from railroad. Price \$15.00, half cash and balance on terms to suit purchaser. Apply to
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The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Fruit Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well-known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

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Stop a cough before it develops something more serious.
Ballard's Morehound Syrup
Is The Remedy That Does the Work.
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

A Happy New Year to one and all. Is our sincere wish! Try our job printing. Get it at Windrow's. Lard cans, Holloway Bros. Turkey roasters, Holloway Bros. Sausage stuffers, Holloway Bros. Land? land? See Hondo Land Co. All kinds of canned goods at Heyen's. Cleaning and Pressing at City Tailor Shop.

Cigars and smoking tobacco at Fritz Heyen's. Box candy—all sizes and prices—at Hutzler's.

Get a good cooking stove at Holloway Bros'. Fresh Grape Fruit and Pine Apples at Heyen's.

Ladies, order your coat suits from S. G. Carter.

Commissioner Ney of D'Hanis was in Hondo Tuesday.

The Hondo Commission Co. wants to buy your cotton seed.

Prof. M. F. Kennedy of D'Hanis was a visitor in Hondo this week.

Let us have your order for a shop-made wagon bed. L. A. Mechler & Co.

1915 BUICK, Model 25 C. Sample in stock. The quality car. C. R. Gaines.

See Anderson for box apples, onion sets, all kinds of fruits for cakes, etc.

We are ready to set your wagon tires on short notice. Mechler & Co. 48-11

Messrs. Ben Zerr and Joe Rudinger of D'Hanis were in Hondo last Saturday.

Ask for prices on cotton-seed, at the Hondo Commission Co. before selling.

Misses Marguerite Wanshaff and Belle Hancock were passengers west Tuesday.

A \$1000 stock of high grade auto tires at rock-bottom prices for cash at C. R. Gaines.

We are in the market for all the cotton seed you have for sale. Hondo Commission Co.

For Sale—Two good residences in the south part of Hondo. Apply to C. W. Gilham. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ira Hurt and children returned Wednesday from a visit to relatives at Yorktown.

Lard cans, Holloway Bros. Sausage stuffers, Holloway Bros. Buy your groceries at the Palace of Sweets.

For all kinds of nuts go to Hutzler's confectionery.

Every battery tested before being sent out. C. R. Gaines.

Corn or cotton seed taken on mattress work at Hale's. 41.

Prof. M. F. Kennedy was here Monday from D'Hanis on business.

Mr. Joe Fohn of Hondo made a business visit to D'Hanis this week.

The town is full of race-horse men for the races as we go to press.

A San Antonio Business College Scholarship for sale at this office. 11.

Until further notice will pay \$15.00 per ton for cotton seed at Holloway's gin.

For Sale Cheap—A sewing machine. Almost as good as new. Apply at this office.

Emil Bendele of Francisco and J. A. Derrick of El Paso were here Tuesday on business.

Found—A lady's house slipper. Owner can recover the same by applying at this office.

For Sale—A good horse and buggy or will trade for a milk cow. Apply to H. E. Haass, Hondo.

Mrs. Eugen Huesser visited her parents and other relatives in D'Hanis and vicinity this week.

Just received—Pictorial Review patterns and also Pictorial Review Magazines. Sugarman Supply Co.

Arthur Koch, who is home from St. Louis' College for the holidays, visited relatives in D'Hanis Thursday.

Mrs. H. B. Hudson had as her guest the first of the week, her sister, Miss Elizabeth Lytle of San Antonio.

For Sale—A few wine and whiskey barrels in good condition, 75c. each. Ed. Zinsmeyer, D'Hanis, Texas.

Mr. Henry Oefinger of D'Hanis was in Hondo Tuesday, coming over with Mr. I. L. Sims, the Auto Livery man.

E. F. McCall and little daughter were here Monday, guests of Mr. McCall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. McCall.

B. T. Dawson, Albert Pichot and Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Schweers visited relatives in Uvalde Saturday and Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. A. W. Meyers spent Christmas with relatives in this vicinity and returned to Haass Settlement Tuesday.

Mrs. T. E. Wyatt and little daughter, Sarah, returned Monday to their home in Sabinal after a pleasant visit to relatives here.

For first class cleaning and pressing phone the City Tailor Shop, Phone 125, we will call for your clothes and deliver them promptly.

Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Brieden Jr. and baby arrived Wednesday from San Antonio on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Brieden Sr.

Consul Wm. P. Blocker spent New Year here with his parents, Judge and Mrs. V. H. Blocker, and returned to Piedras Negras Saturday.

Frank Wolf's barn, near D'Hanis, containing 1000 bushels of corn, a quantity of hay, and a buggy and harness, was burned Tuesday night.

For Sale—Live Oak, Hackberry and Mesquite Wood; cord-wood, stove wood, stumps, etc. Prompt service. Phone Henry Stiegler or Chas. Bendele. 22-11

Hereafter there will be only three shows weekly at the Star Theatre—Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights. Remember the nights and be sure to attend.

Dr. and Mrs. R. O. Perkins and boys returned to their home in Schulenberg Tuesday after having spent Christmas here, guests of Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dilworth and children of Belmont spent Christmas here with Mr. Dilworth's brother, J. F. Dilworth and family. They returned home Tuesday.

H. E. Haass, Attorney at Law, Surveyor's Office, Courthouse, Hondo, Texas. All legal matters carefully attended to, in all courts of Texas. Twenty-six years experience.

H. H. Heyen, Thomas W. Mahone and R. L. Lancaster, three business men from Lockhart, came down Saturday to visit relatives and friends here and to enjoy a hunt in this vicinity.

J. G. Karm found a hole some six feet deep by five-feet in length in his pasture about 500 yards from his house Monday. The hole was recently dug but by whom or for what purpose no one knows.

For Sale—A few full-blood Plymouth Rock Cockerels and Pullets at \$1.00 each. Now is your chance to put some fine blood in your poultry flock cheap. First come, first pick. Apply at the Anvil Herald office.

Messrs. Matt Rath, Henry Poehler, Mike Schorbin, John Breiten, Henry Hengstler from Altoona, Pa., and Paul Oefinger were up at the Ernest Oefinger ranch last week and Mr. Rath came back with a big buck which he killed up there.

I Wish My Friends and Patrons a Very

Happy New Year

I am Better Prepared Than Ever to Do Your Tailoring Work!

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Cleaning, Pressing and Altering

Telephone 179

Aluminum ware, Holloway Bros. Order your next suit from the City Tailor Shop.

Gentlemen, order your suits tailored-made from S. G. Carter.

W. C. Horgar was here from Charlotte to spend Christmas.

Corn or cotton seed taken on mattress work at Hale's. 41.

Mrs. Earl Boon returned Saturday from a visit to San Antonio.

New stock of Columbia batteries always on hand. C. R. Gaines.

Jesse Hall is here from Knappa on a visit to his brother, Jim Hall.

Mrs. H. B. Hudson returned Saturday from a visit to San Antonio.

Mr. J. B. Yeager of D'Hanis was a business visitor in Hondo Monday.

1915 BUICK, Model 25 C. Sample in stock. The quality car. C. R. Gaines.

Gwynn Miller was here from Austin to spend the holidays with homebros.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ford were here from Charlotte to spend the holidays.

N. W. Ward was here Sunday returning home from San Antonio to Yancey.

Buy your milk from Prairie Farm Dairy, Tom Heath, proprietor, Phone 28, R. 11.

Mrs. B. Meriwether and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Goff were Alamo City visitors Saturday.

Rev. C. S. Long, the Presbyterian pastor, filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday.

A number of second hand cars for sale cheap. See them at the Hondo Auto Sales Co. garage.

Willie Pichot was here from Austin this week on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pichot.

Why feed a cow when you can buy milk from the Prairie Farm Dairy at 7c per quart. Phone 28 R. 11.

Wanted—Plain Sewing, Embroidering and Hemstitching to do. Prices reasonable. Apply at this office.

The Lutheran congregation had a Christmas tree and an appropriate program at the church Christmas night.

For Sale, A new five-room house and two large lots in Fly Addition to Hondo. Big barn and outhouses. For price and terms see S. E. Rieber or write him at Tarpley. 41.

When you want to buy or exchange a gas tank for your car call on the Hondo Auto Sales Co. Small tanks \$12.50, Large tanks \$15, fully equipped and put on your car ready for use. Tank exchange, \$1.50 and \$1.75. Why pay more? Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

We Thank You

for your patronage in 1914, and soliciting your continued favors for 1915, wish you—

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Martin Drug Co.

When Considering the Building of a Residence or any Sort of Building or Repair Work

Come in and talk the matter over with us before buying your lumber elsewhere. We are here to serve you—to be so useful to you that YOU GET THE HABIT of sending to us for all of your Building Material, Brick, Iron Roofing, Paints, Etc. Hondo Lumber Company, Incorporated.

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All Kinds of Sheet Metal, Plumbing, Roofing, Guttering and Tin Work Done. Tanks Made to Order is Our Specialty

ALL WORK GUARANTEED TO BE SATISFACTORY

TELEPHONE 128 HONDO, TEXAS

Electric Lights

Have your house wired and use Tungsten Lamps. They will give you more light, better light and reduce the cost. See us.

Hondo Light, Power & Ice Company

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Proprietor
Hondo Foundry and Machine Co. Shop

is prepared to do all kinds of blacksmith and woodwork and solicits a share of your trade.

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In settling up your little accounts don't forget to pay your subscription. Remember the hard times hit the newspaper man as hard as any one else and he needs the money. If not convenient to pay in cash, however, we will accept any thing we can use in payment of subscription.

Send the Anvil Herald to your relatives and friends elsewhere. It will be a weekly news-letter to them.

Any of The Times subscribers not receiving The Anvil Herald this week or any one receiving too many copies of the paper is requested to call at this office and help us adjust your subscription on the list.

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Vehicles, Harness, Wagons, Buggies

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Everything from a Sewing Machine Needle to a Full Sized Sled. Willing to extend credit to all responsible parties. WRITE US YOUR WANTS TODAY

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350 acres, 7 miles from Hondo, 65 acres in cultivation, 200 acres more subject to cultivation, good water, tenant house, all under good fence. Price \$25 per acre. Terms 1 to 8 years. Will consider part trade.

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PERSONALS

Turkey roasters, Holloway Bros.
Buy your bread at the Palace of
weets.
Fresh fruit daily at the Palace of
weets.
All kinds of fruit in season at F. A.
eyen's.
Charlie Finger was a D'Hanis visitor
uesday.
Extracted honey at 75c a gallon. J.
Smith.
Buy your telephone batteries at C.
Gaines'.
Get a good cooking stove at Hollar
ay Bros'.
Fresh fruits of all kinds at Hutzler's
fectionery.
Mr. Earl Ulbrich was a visitor in
ondo Monday.
Otto Burrell paid this office a busi
ess call Thursday.
Adolph Hsaas enlisted with our corps
readers this week.
Mrs. Felix Batot visited relatives
D'Hanis Saturday.
Rev. L. Hoefer was a business caller
at this office Thursday.
W. J. Earnest was a business caller
at this office Thursday.
Ben and Frank Haby were over from
unday Tuesday on business.
B. F. Dawson is here from Houston
a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Albert
Schot.
Call on Carter & Haass at Gaines'
and stand for all kinds of auto repair
ing. tf.
Phone 125, the City Tailor Shop,
when your clothes need cleaning or
reasing.
We can print most any thing in the
printing line. Get the Anvil Her
ld's prices.
Some bargains in good second-hand
urs. The prices will surprise you.
R. Gaines. 50-tf
Cocoanuts, English walnuts, cran
berries and Fruit Cake ingredients at
A. Heyen's.
For Sale, A 9-acre block of land half
mile south of depot at Hondo. J.
A. Blackburn, Devine, Texas.
Equip your Ford with a set of Ford
Presto Demountable Rims. We have
them in stock. Hondo Auto Sales Co.

Hondo Auto Sales Co.

Extends its thanks to the
public for the generous
patronage accorded it in
1914 and soliciting your
continued favors wishes
one and all—

A Prosperous New Year

ZELLERBACH

the old reliable, for
your Watch, Clock
and Jewelry repairs

Sausage grinders, Holloway Bros.
Get a Barber Oil Heater at Holloway
Bros'.
Meals served at all hours at the
Palace of Sweets.
Box Apples in large variety and
reasonable prices at F. A. Heyen's.
Try the Anvil Herald one year for
one dollar—less than two cents a week.
Get your gasoline, oils and greases
at the Hondo Garage & Repair Shop.
For Sale—Mandylee incubators,
good as new. Will trade for corn.
Will Beal. 2t.
Stay with your old home paper when
times are hard. It needs you then
more than at any other time.
Buy Red Seal Batteries—they are
guaranteed good. Fresh supply just
received. Hondo Auto Sales Co.
Horace King came out Saturday to
spend part of the holidays with his grand
parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. King.
Mrs. John Davenport is here from
San Antonio, spending the holidays
with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T.
Smith.
L. A. Mechler was the lucky winner
of the Schmitt & Steinhardt premium
Ford car, given away by that firm
Thursday.
Subscribers to THE HONDO
TIMES, or those sending the
paper to relatives or friends else
where, will greatly assist us by
CALLING AT THIS OFFICE,
where the lists are kept, and help
us straighten out your subscrip
tion account. It will save us from
having to make out statements
and greatly facilitate the work of
correcting and adjusting our list.
All subscription accounts due to
The Times is payable to The
Anvil Herald.

Night Rates Withdrawn.

Night Long Distance rates have
been withdrawn by The Southwestern
Telegraph & Telephone Co., according
to announcement made Dec. 20th, in
order to improve service conditions by
relieving the wires of the congestion
previously experienced after 6 in the
evening and during the early night
hours.
Manager J. B. Hurt explaining the
change, says: "The Southwestern Com
pany wanted to increase its long dis
tance business and popularize the use
of the wires, especially between near
by towns. This could only be done as
service conditions were improved and
the demands of a very large propor
tion of telephone users requiring a
quick, accurate and efficient service
were heeded, it was necessary to
withdraw the reduced night rates.
At the same time a plan was devised
by which those having country tele
phones connected with a Southwes
tern exchange, may call any point on
the company lines within wagon haul
ing distance, during any hour night or
day, and do so generally at a mater
ially reduced cost. Inquiries may be
made as to market conditions, for in
stance. People in town can call their
friends in a nearby town during the
day as well as they formerly could at
night and not be subject to the in
convenience of unnecessary delay.
"Under former conditions the lowest
charge, as a rule, was twenty-five
cents day or night. Now the lowest
rate is fifteen cents and this is for a
three minute talking period instead of
two as formerly".

For Sale.

A 127-acre farm, 113 in cultivation,
balance in pasture, two small houses,
good well of water, 6½ miles north of
Hondo. For price and terms call on
W. J. EARNEST,
Hondo, Texas.
4t.

Aluminum ware, Holloway Bros.
Fresh chocolates and all kind of
candy at Hutzler's.
For Sale—Jersey cow. Three gallon
milkier. A. F. Peters.
Mrs. Ambrose Zimmermann and
children returned Tuesday from Cas
troville, where they spent Christmas.
The Hondo Garage & Repair Shop,
Carter & Haass, proprietors, will do
your work right and at a reasonable
price. tf.
For Sale, Two gentle work mules,
5 and 6 years old. Apply to Willie
Boehle, Dunlay, Texas, telephone 2 R.
2-1. 2mo. pl.
There will be a called meeting of the
local lodge of Masons at the hall Mon
day night for the purpose of conferring
the Master's degree.
We wish to go to press with this
paper soon after noon on Friday of
each week and in order to do so must
have copy in early—please.
Friends here were grieved to learn
of the death of Mrs. H. S. Roller,
which sad event occurred very suddenly
at Bronson, Texas, December 25th.
A complete stock of wagon and bug
gy material just received and we are
prepared to do any kind of repair work
on your vehicles. Mechler & Co. 48-tf
We pay the highest price for coun
try produce. We deliver fruits and
vegetables to any part of city at any
time. Phone 200. L. Barrientes &
Sons.
A postal card from Frank Koehl, a
former clerk in the depot here, extends
New Year's greetings to his many
friends. "Cabbage" is now station
agent at Schertz.
I have opened a first-class restaurant
in the Mask building. Good 25c meals
at regular hours. Short orders at all
hours from 6 a. m. until 10 p. m. Give
me a trial. R. G. Knowles. 49tf
Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Wilson and baby
of Luling spent Christmas here with
Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Wm. Hancock. They went to Sabinal
Wednesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. I. C.
Honegger.
Tuesday evening a kettle of boiling
was accidentally turned over and George
Neumann's baby was painfully scalded
on the feet and legs. The kettle was
on the fire and the child on a pallet in
front of the fire when the accident oc
curred. The little sufferer is improv
ing as fast as could be expected.
Wm. Collins and family returned
from Poteet the first of the week
where they spent the holidays. Mr.
Collins brought us up a couple of
stalks of rape which he says he is
using as a green feed for chickens
very successfully. Mr. Collins is a
breeder of full-blood Plymouth Rock
chickens as well as a builder of con
crete sidewalks.
In the bean guessing contest, held
at the City Saloon, there were 5714
beans in the jar. Fifteen prizes were
given and a number have been given
out. But No. 241, the winner of the
saddle, has not yet been found. Nos.
165 and 60 each have a gallon of whis
key coming to them, and Nos. 44, 19,
837, 33, 82 and 317 each have a quart.
Mr. Sayers asks that holders of the
winning tickets call and get their
prizes.



My Dear Bill

IT'S awfully good of you
to write me about that
company in your town
wanting a good man of my
trade. But honestly, Bill,
I don't want the job. Of
course they want good men
—for prohibition has driven
all the competent men out
of the town.
There isn't a beer saloon in
the place. You work and sleep—
that's your daily programme.
May suit you, Bill, but I like to
get out and talk things over
with the boys once in a while.
I want some place to go after a
hard day's work where I can get
a glass of beer if I want one.
I know you can get a drink
down there when you feel like
it. But that isn't the point.
The saloon is my club. You
sneak into the back door of
some blind pig or speak-easy and
pay good money for stuff not fit
to drink. No sneaking for mine,
Bill. I'm a Temperance man—
a real temperance man. That's
why I'm going to stay right here
where I can drink beer moder
ately and above board.
Those speak-easies get you,
Bill, sooner or later. They've
made drunkards of a lot of good
men right in your township. I'd
rather stay where my personal
liberty isn't interfered with.
Thanks for your interest in me.
Yours truly, JOHN.
—Advertisement

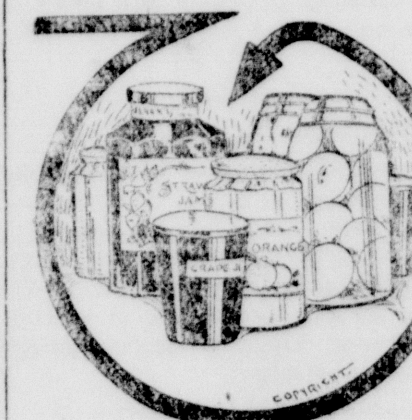
Episcopal Synod To Meet.

The Synod of the Episcopal Church,
which is to meet in San Antonio on
the 19th, 20th and 21st of January,
will be of great interest to all mem
bers of that communion and, in its
broader aspects, to Christian people
generally. The subjects for discus
sion and deliberation will be: First,
The missionary work of the church at
home and abroad. Second, Sunday
school work and religious education
generally. Third, Social service. At
the same time the Woman's Auxiliary
of the church will hold sessions of its
own.
Representatives will come to San
Antonio from Missouri, Arkansas,
Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.
Many bishops will be present, among
them being the presiding bishop of
the church, the Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle
of St. Louis. The place of meeting
will be St. Mark's Church and ad
joining parish house, opposite the St.
Anthony hotel across Travis Park.
This will be an unusual opportunity to
hear the opinions of able specialists
along their several lines of religious
work and everybody is welcome to at
tend the services and business ses
sions.

Notice.

Pay-up time is here. The Black
smiths need money just the same as
others. Your yearly accounts are
past due. We will appreciate an
early settlement of same. Don't put
it off. Do it now. Thanks in ad
vance. Yours for better service,
J. H. MEYERS & Co.
Get a Barber Oil Heater at Holloway
Bros.

Let Us Fill Your



Grocery Order

We have everything usually
carried in a first-class family
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A Prayer for the New Year.

Purge out of every heart the lurking grudge. Give us grace and strength to forbear and persevere. Offenders, give us the grace to accept and to forgive offenders. Forgetful ourselves, help us to bear cheerfully the forgetfulness of others. Give us courage and gaiety and the quiet mind. Spare us to our friends, soften us to our enemies. Bless us, if it may be, in all our innocent endeavors. If it may not, give us the strength to encounter that which is to come, that we may be brave in peril, content in tribulation, temperate in wrath, and in all changes of fortune, and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving one to another.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

We wish our readers one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

EVERY woman knows that the reason other women are well dressed is because they go hungry and put every cent on their backs.—West Texas Magazine.

WHAT became of the old-fashioned man who used to carry an ivory dingus that had a toothpick at one end and an ear spoon on the other end?—West Texas Magazine.

Fletcher Davis of the Hondo Anvil Herald bought the Hondo Times from Edw. J. Brucks last week. Mr. Brucks will move his plant to some other place.—Castroville Quill.

From the list of posted notices in the Hondo Times, one would think there was good hunting there. Maybe the notices are like the sign once placed on a certain little lake, "no fishing here", and after a whole days trial, the would-be fisherman found that the notice was a warning, not an order.—Carrizo Springs Javelin.

To write or talk concerning any subject without having previously taken the pains to understand it, is a breach of the duty which we owe to ourselves, though it may be no offence against the laws of the land. The privilege of talking and even publishing nonsense is necessary in a free state; but the more sparingly we make use of it the better.—Coleridge.

Get up right in the morning. Go to bed right at night. Start with joy in your heart, hope in the future, kindness in your purpose. If it is a dark day, never mind; you will lighten it up. If it is a bright day, you will add to its brightness. Give a word of cheer, a kindly greeting and a warm handshake to your friends. If you have enemies, look up, pass them by, forget and try to forgive. If all of us would only think how much of human happiness is made by ourselves, there would be less of human misery. If all of us would bear in mind that happiness is from within and not from without, there would be a wellspring of joy in every heart and the sun would shine forever. Try it!—Leslie's Weekly.

We hope none of our farmers will forget their honest obligations to the men who have trusted them and should be paid at the earliest opportunity. Every farmer who can borrow money on his cotton should borrow on it and pay his just debts. Talk it over with the bank nearest you and see if you cannot get a loan. The \$135,000,000 Wade loan fund should be of great assistance in this respect.—Progressive Farmer.

Hondo Davis of the Anvil Herald has gobbled up his local cotemporary, the Times. He recently bought the D'Hanis paper, and now his friends are proudly referring to him as the Medina County Rancheast.—Alpine Avalanche.



We Wish You A Happy New Year

and thanks to your faithful patronage, we are able to offer you this Year, a Bigger, Better and more Varied Selection than we ever did before.

After looking over it you will realize the Uselessness of sending out of Town for anything in our Line. The better Pieces go first, you don't have to give your Presents on the 26th, let us select with you NOW.

V. A. CROW

San Antonio has one Democrat who declined to accept a proffered public office—C. B. Watters. Mr. Watters was tendered a position by Governor-elect Ferguson, but didn't bite nor even nibble. He claims to be a Democrat. The Republic is not from Missouri, but nevertheless, it would like to be shown. If Mr. Watters is a Democrat, he shows a decidedly unusual way to evidence it. No other Democrat was ever before known to refuse acceptance of a public office.—Texas Republic.

The life of a paper is its subscribers. If you are a subscriber to this paper and like its policy of trying to give you all the value possible for your dollar speak a good word for the paper to your neighbor and induce him to become a subscriber.

The woman who marries for money usually gets what she went after, but a man never knows what he is getting.—The West Texas Magazine.

The Arrival.

The little New Year slid in at the gate;
Oh, but he had to shiver and wait,
For some one was going; the hour was late,
And the minutes were speeding until the last,
And the glistering snow whirled by so fast
That we scarce could tell when the Old Year passed.
But we called good-by up the steep of air
To the trackless way where the spirits fare—
"Forgive us our lack of love and care."
And naught we heard but the wind's low sigh,
And the clanging of bells through the midnight sky.
And a startled sparrow's wavering cry.
The little New Year slid in at the door
Fairer than aught we had seen before;
And his dancing feet were light on the floor;
And we smiled through our tears, and forgot our moan,
For we could not leave him to feast alone,
The little New Year who had come to his own.
—Emma A. Lente.

Notice To Tax Payers.

Notice is hereby given that I will be at the following named places for the purpose of collecting State and County Taxes for 1914, on dates as follows:

Devine, January 4, 5, 6, 1915.
Natalia, " 7, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Lacoste, " 8, 1915.
Cliff, " 11, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Riomedina, " 12, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Castroville, " 13, 14, 15, 1915.
D'Hanis, " 18, 19, 1915.
Quihí, " 20, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Dunlay, " 21, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Biry, " 22, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Respectfully,
JOE NEY,
Tax Collector, Medina County.

P. S.—The Tax Assessor will be with me so as to enable you to make rendition of your property for 1915.—J. N.

A Clever Holiday Card.

One of the prettiest holiday cards noted this season is one received this week by the editor of this paper.

Following the legend, "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, 1914-15", and a pen and ink drawing of an Indian Peace Pipe, is the following pretty sentiment:

Open-armed the red man welcomed Paleface pilgrim to his shore;
Greetings glad as his, I send you,
And goodwill, forevermore.
Let us strive to help this brother
Greed and graft, injustice, cease;
Let us seek his lodge of council,
Let us smoke the pipe of peace.

—Mrs. Sells.

Sincerely,
CATO SELLS,
Commissioner.

Stop The Child's Colds They Often Result Seriously.

Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough are children's ailments which need immediate attention. The after-effects are often most serious. Don't take the risk—you don't have to. Dr. King's New Discovery checks the Cold, soothes the Cough, allays the Inflammation, kills the Germs and allows Nature to do her healing work. 50c at your Druggist. Buy a bottle to-day.

THE PATRIOTIC DOLLAR

War Revenue Tax of \$105,000,000
Levied—Beer Bears Brunt of Burden.

Congress has levied a war tax of \$105,000,000 to offset a similar amount of loss on import revenue due to the European disturbances and of this amount beer is the heaviest contributor, having been assessed approximately, \$50,000,000; a stamp tax on negotiable instruments, it is estimated, will yield \$31,000,000; a tax on the capital stock of banks of \$4,300,000, and a tax on tobacco, perfumes, theater tickets, etc., makes the remainder.

Congress has decreed that the brewer, the banker and the investor must shoulder the musket and march to the front; that milady who would add to her beauty must first tip Uncle Sam, and a dollar that seeks pleasure must first salute the flag; that Pleasure and Profit—the twin heroes of many wars—shall fight the nation's battles and by an ingeniously arranged schedule of taxation Congress has shifted the war budget from the shoulders of Necessity to those of Choice and Gain, touching in its various ramifications almost every line of business.

All hail the dollar that bleeds for its country; that bares its breast to the fortunes of war and risks its life to preserve the stability and integrity of the nation's credit.

The market place has always been a favorite stand for war revenue collectors. The trader is a great financial patriot. His dollar is the first to rally around the star-spangled banner and the last to hear the coo of the dove of peace. He is called upon to buy cannon; to feed and clothe the boys in blue and each month cheer their hearts with the coin of the realm. Men can neither be free nor brave without food and ammunition, and money is as important a factor in war as blood. Many monuments have been erected in honor of heroes slain in battle, poems have been written eulogizing their noble deeds and the nation honors its soldiers while they live and places a monument upon their graves when they die, but very little has been said of the dollar that bears the burdens of war.

Honor to the Dollar That Bears the Burdens of War.

All honor to the dollar that answers the call to arms and, when the battle is over, bandages the wounds of stricken soldiers, lays a wreath upon the graves of fallen heroes and cares for the widows and orphans.

All honor to the industries that bend their backs under the burdens of war; lift the weight from the shoulders of the poor and build a bulwark around the nation's credit.

All honor to those who contribute to the necessities and administer to the comforts of the boys who are marching; cool the fever of afflicted soldiers and kneel with the cross beside dying heroes.

A dollar may fight its competitor in business, industries may struggle for supremacy in trade and occupations may vie each other with envy or suspicion, but when the bugle calls they bury strife and rally around the flag companions and friends, mess mates and chums, all fighting for one flag, one cause and one country.

The luxuries in life have always been the great burden-bearers in government. We will mention a few of them giving the annual contributions to the nation's treasury: Liquor, \$250,000,000; tobacco, \$103,000,000; sugar, \$54,000,000; silks, \$15,500,000; diamonds, \$3,837,000; millinery, \$2,479,000; furs, \$2,024,000 and automobiles \$870,000.

The real problem of the farmer is how to sell his products.

A shoat in the pen is worth a ten dollar bill in the pocket.

Confederate Veteran Nashville, Tenn.

Every family in the South should subscribe for the Confederate Veteran. Send postal for sample copy. Subscription, \$1 per year. The Veteran is of age—twenty-one years old—and has had a larger circulation for a longer time than any monthly ever had in the South. A year's subscription with the Anvil Herald for \$1.75.

Joe Fohn Fletcher Davis

Managers of the

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HONDO, TEXAS

Invite the attention of Home Buyers and Real Estate Investors to the following list of Properties:

- 160-acre farm, two miles north-west of Hondo. Five-room house, barn and outhouses. Black waxy land, 150 acres in cultivation. \$60.00 per acre, half cash and balance on terms to suit purchaser.
- 200-acre farm, eight miles north-west of Hondo. Eighty acres in field, all fenced and tillable. Seven-room house, good well and wind mill.
- \$1750 cash takes a four-room house and two lots in the Brown-Woods Addition to Hondo.
- 8½ acres of land, containing two good residences, store and saloon building, big dance hall and other buildings. Also good well and wind mill. \$7,000.00, half cash and balance on easy terms.
- 468 acres, live oak sandy land, practically level, all tillable, situated 1½ miles south-west of Devine, good well and windmill, two good tenant houses, 135 acres in cultivation, all hog-proof fenced, enough timber to eventually pay for the land. Easy terms.
- 206 acres, mesquite loam land, situated 5 miles north of Devine, about 40 acres rough land, balance all tillable, adjoining Medina Valley Irrigation Co., all fenced and cross fenced, about 100 acres in cultivation, two tenant houses, good well and windmill. Easy terms.
- 250 acres, two miles north-east of Hondo, 200 acres in cultivation, good six room house, good well, windmill and water-works. A bargain at \$60.00 per acre on easy terms.
- 106 acres, live oak sandy land, all tillable, 2 miles north of Devine, surrounded by the Medina Valley Irrigation Co.'s land, all fenced, 96 acres in cultivation, one tenant house, good well and windmill. Easy terms.
- 426 acres, 10 miles east of Devine, 140 acres in cultivation, all good tillable land, one good tenant house, good well, 400 feet deep, inexhaustible water. Easy terms.
- Lots Nos. 1 and 2, Block 31, Los Angeles Heights, San Antonio.
- Lot No. 8 and west ¾ of lot 7, block 57. Fine house and outhouses, Hondo. Old Fenter place.
- Five lots in Hondo, good small house. Old Adolph Haass place.
- 116 acres, 4 miles northeast of Leslie, Searcy Co., Arkansas, for \$300 cash.
- Lot No. 11, Block No. 3, Hot Springs Heights, Sonoma Co., California, for \$35.00 cash.
- A 50x150-ft. lot in Burnside Addition to Hondo, for \$250.
- Lots 11, 12 and 13, block 144, Los Angeles Heights Addition to San Antonio. Price and terms reasonable.
- Lot No. 12, block No. 311, in Jourdan, Atascosa County, Texas, for \$100 cash or will trade for property of equal value in Hondo or D'Hanis.
- 500 acres, 4 1-2 miles west of Yancey, fenced and watered with water-holes, 43 acres in field, balance in pasture; 400 acres tillable. Price \$10.00 per acre and on easy terms.

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You'll be interested in the samples we have to show you. When may we call?

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Bruises, Sores, Wounds and Piles quickly healed with Arnica Salve. It prevents infection, is antiseptic, soothing, healing. Try it once. Money Back if it Fails. The Original and Genuine.

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Many Disorders Come From The Liver. Are You Just at Odds with Yourself? Do You Regulate Livering?

Are you sometimes at odds with yourself and with the world? Do you wonder what ails you? True you may be eating regularly and sleeping well. Yet something is the matter! Constipation, Headache, Nervousness and Bilious Spells indicate a Sluggish Liver. The tried remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Only 25c at your Druggist.

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Such disinterested and reliable testimony should convince everyone of the merits of Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic to build up health and strength for all weakened and nervous conditions, whether caused from overwork, worry or chronic coughs and colds. If Vinol fails to benefit we return your money.

W. H. Windrow, druggist, Hondo, Tex.

CASTROVILLE

Anvil Sparks.

This Department is in charge of our Authorized Agent for Castroville, ED H. HUEHNER, Editor who is authorized to collect and receipt for money due this paper and to whom items intended for this page should be submitted.—Editor.

Mr. Pete Tschirhart of San Antonio visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. A. Haby and children of Uvalde is visiting her parents, Aug. Haderdier, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hutzler of Dunlap spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schuehle and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. John Schuehle and children of Storm Hill were here for the Races Saturday.

Mr. Hubert Conrad of San Antonio visited relatives here several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baumus were here from Devine Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fendre and little daughter, Ruby, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burren.

Miss Pauline Voller of San Antonio is here on a visit to her mother, Mrs. John Voller here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mangold of Lacoste were visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. Carl Richter and Miss Koen of Hondo were here for the Dance Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis N. FitzSimon and Miss Nannie FitzSimon of San Antonio spent Christmas here with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. FitzSimon.

Miss Annie Kilhorn of Lytle visited her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kilhorn, and family.

Mrs. Otella Sprowl and Mr. and Mrs. Sprowl of San Antonio visited.

More Advice, Please.

(Printed by request.)

Bring the bankers and the brokers; Bring the engineers and stokers; Bring all the politicians now extant; Bring the butchers and the bakers, And the hot tamale makers, And let them tell the farmers what to plant.

Bring the masons and the plumbers, And the derby-hatted drummers, The carpenters and paper-hangers, too; Bring the clergy and the laymen, Bring the merchants and the draymen, And let 'em tell the farmers what to do.

Bring the nimble scribes who caper 'Mid the crops they raise on paper— They never ploughed a furrow in their lives; Bring the chronic pavement-hoppers, Who are living off their "peppers," And those who are supported by their wives.

Let them mobilize their forces; Bring from all the different sources The people who have never reaped or sown; We would have them all together, And allow each fancy tether, That their wisdom for our dullness may atone.

In conclusion let me mention, That we've not the least intention Of heeding their advice or their decrees; We would tell the whole caboodle, By the grace of Yankee Doodle, We're going to plant exactly what we please.

—Exchange.

From Moore Model.

J. C. Newton was in town on business.

Burford Wilson was in from Yancey Friday on business.

P. E. McAnally of Yancey shipped a car of fine fat hogs to Ft. Worth Saturday.

Miss Margaret Obets accompanied the family of Aug. Beidiger to San Antonio Sunday.

Aug. Beidiger and wife, Mrs. Agnes Winters and Miss Bena Bomba visited San Antonio Monday in Mr. Beidiger's car.

Mr. P. E. McAnally, our jovial old friend of Yancey, was in town Friday.

Mr. McAnally is one of the old residents of that community and is a prosperous ranchman. This is the first time we have seen him out since he received an injury on the railroad some time since. He says he is not entirely recovered but advises us for the information of good looking widows, the small cane he uses to walk with, is not really a necessity.

Misses Mary and Annie Gruenwald of Yancey who have been in school in San Antonio, came in on the morning train Wednesday, on their way home for Christmas.

Perry Crain of Hondo will spend the holidays with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Crain.

Posted.

The public is hereby notified that my pastures are posted according to law and hunting is strictly forbidden. Trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. All permits heretofore given are now void.

shs-3m MRS. EMMA ROTHE.

Mrs. Louisa Kieffer several days.

Rain, rain, and some more rain, and consequently most of the news is rained out.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hans and son, Harry, autoed to San Antonio Monday on business and pleasure bound.

Chr times passed off very quietly here.

The Sweepstake race with four horses contesting, came off on schedule time Saturday afternoon, witnessed by a large crowd. Tom Moss's horse took first prize, \$50.00; G. B. Noonan's Little King second money, \$25.00; next was Albert P. Haller's "Brown Jug" and last the Smith Filley.


The Christmas Dances came off as advertised at our old mans and were well attended and very much enjoyed. The best of order prevailed.

Messrs. Ed Hans, Aug. J. Mangold and Emil Kauffman left Saturday for the mountains on a hunt but as they have not returned as yet, we can not give the result.

Arnold Tschirhart of Noonan, who is reported very sick, was brought to town Saturday afternoon for medical treatment. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Judge Peter Hong and son, Albert, and Joe Schmitt left during the week on an extended hunt at the Chas. Fessmann Ranch near Eagle Pass.

Castroville, Dec. 28, 1914.



THE VERY BEST TIME to take Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is now, if you feel that your blood is out of order. Don't wait until you have to cure disease; it's easier and better to prevent it.

With the first blotches or eruptions, or the dullness, weariness, and depression that are some of the symptoms, you need this medicine. It will rouse every organ into healthy action, thoroughly cleanse and repair your system, and build up needed flesh, health, and strength. It's the only reliable blood remedy. In the most stubborn Skin or Scalp affections; in the worst forms of Scrofula; in every disease caused by a torpid liver or impure blood—it never fails to benefit or cure.

Mrs. JENNIE WELLS, 610 North Broughton St., Sherman, Texas, says, "I have used Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and found it to be the best. I found it all right, and can recommend it highly." Constipation causes many serious diseases. It is thoroughly cured by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets for liver ills.

JUDGE IS "UNREVERSED."

Carl Completes Year On Appellate Bench With Success.

Associate Justice J. F. Carl, of the Fourth Court of Civil Appeals, has been on the bench exactly one year this month, and in that period the supreme court of the state has not reversed a single case in which he wrote the opinion. In all, more than 20 cases in which he decided the appeal and wrote the court's opinion have gone for review to the highest tribunal in the state and in each instance his findings have been affirmed by the superior court. It is stated that a "batting average of 1000," to use a baseball-ism, is something unusual in the annals of Texas jurisprudence.

Associate Justice Carl was appointed first to the appellate bench by Governor Colquitt to take the position vacated by the resignation of Associate Justice George B. Tallaferro. In the last election he was re-elected and his tenure of office runs for another term. During his incumbency he has written the opinion in a number of important cases, some of the litigants in which stopped at the appellate court, while others went to the supreme court.—San Antonio Light, Dec. 19, 1914.

Judge Carl's friends in Medina County are proud of the splendid record he is making.

Farmers' Union Notice.

A call meeting of the Medina County Farmers' Union will be held in Hondo Saturday, Jan. 2, 1915, at 1:30 P. M. Important business.

Local unions are respectfully requested to have delegates to attend.

AUG. G. BIPPET, Secretary.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, ss. Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

LACOSTE DOTS.

Items of Interest Culled from The Herald.

Miss Emma Mitsche of Schulerburg is here, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Alex Jungman.

Misses Mary Salzman, Regina Mangold and Mr. Albert Salzman spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Helen Keller at the lower Medina.

Messrs. C. Loessberg and Joe Biry returned from Keystone after a lengthy stay, on a deer hunt.

Miss Hilda Rihn of Spindletop visited Miss Ida Conrad Sunday.

John C. Biediger who is attending St. Louis College is here to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Mrs. J. G. Matthews and children of Lytle spent Monday here.

Mr. Henry Kauffman went to San Antonio Friday on business.

Mrs. B. R. Smith and children moved to East Bernard Thursday.

Mr. Chas. Moeller Jr. is plying his trade at New Braunfels this week.

Mr. Frank Keller and wife and Mrs. Ed Keller were business visitors to San Antonio Tuesday.

Miss Mary Salzman gave a quilting party to her girl friends last Tuesday.

Henry P. Wurzbach was here on business Sunday.

Mr. Donald Hertzog of Del Rio was here to see his best last Sunday.

Mrs. Alex Jungman is up and about after being confined to her home for the past week.

Mr. Frank Hoffman was in town Saturday with a load of those delicious sweet potatoes he is going to make himself famous for, raising on the irrigated land.

Mr. Frank Keller looked real proud over on the R. K. platform when two more of those traction engines showed up last week. The way these engines are being unloaded here speaks well for the farmers of this neighborhood.

Mr. Emil Mechler from the Sauz was in town Monday.

Miss Meta Bippert has resigned her position at the telephone office and Miss Elizabeth Biediger is now holding down the switch board.

Messrs. Paul Christilles, Geo. Mangold, Geo. Schuehle and Alfred Mangold made a pleasure trip to Castroville Sunday.

Miss Meta Peikert returned to Victoria last week after spending a pleasant vacation among her relatives and friends here.

Mr. Ed. Bohl, wife and daughters spent several days in San Antonio the past week, returning Sunday night.

Mr. Earl Hilliard and family, Miss Mayme Reicherzer and George Schuehle autoed to San Antonio Monday.

Miss Allie Droitcourt visited homefolks at Castroville last Sunday.

Gus Trip of Macdonia was here Sunday.

Mesdames L. A. Koontz and C. McGarr were in San Antonio Monday.

Jack Matthews of Pearson was here Sunday.

Mr. August Schmidt and wife of Biry are visiting relatives here this week.

Messrs. Otto Bippert and Henry Haass are out on a hunting trip.

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Miss Lena Balzen has returned from a visit in San Antonio.—Knippa Cor.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rothe were in Sabinal Saturday doing some Xmas shopping.

Mrs. T. E. Wyatt went to San Antonio Saturday.

Mr. J. S. Peoples made a trip to Hondo Monday.

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Strong Cast in "Hearts and Masks."

With Kathlyn Williams in the title role, and Charles Clary as Galloping Dick of MacGrath's delightful "Hearts and Masks," the multiple reel special is on its way for a big run, according to indications. Director Colin Campbell has double braced every portion of the photo play structure. Wheeler Oakman plays the other victim of the ten-spot of hearts while Eugene Besserer, the French emotional actress, portrays Mrs. Hyphen-Bonds. The film fairly sparkles with rare comedy, while there is an all-pervading mystery hanging over it from beginning to final denouement.

"Sands of Fate" Strong Film.

Dorothy Gish is featured in "Sands of Fate," a strong two-reel drama produced by Donald Crisp. An act of self-sacrifice on the part of a husband when he empties his water bottle on a burning desert so that he will not be in the way of his wife marrying the man of her choice is one of the features of this production. Robert Harron, R. A. Walsh and Cora Drew are principals in the cast.

Identified With "Mother" Roles.

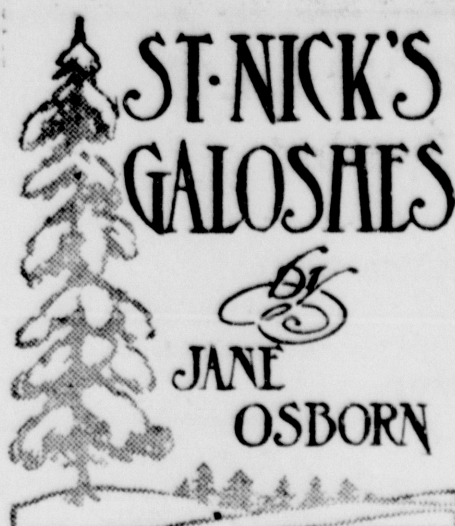
Rose Tapley, well-known Vitagraph screen performer, plays primarily "mother" roles. During her film activity she has played such roles over a thousand times.

New Comedy in Preparation.

"The Mysterious Black Box" is the title of a novel comedy written by W. E. Wing and now being produced at the studio of the Selig Polyscope company.

The Clever and the Wise.

To clever people almost everything is laughable—to wise people hardly anything.—Goethe



ON Christmas eve, Ted Beverly received this letter from Amy Saunders—the one girl in the world, as far as Ted was concerned:

"Dear Ted: If you can manage to come on to New York for Christmas and have the courage to break the news to brother Bob, all right. I haven't even been able to explain that we are engaged, much less that we were about to be married, but as long as Meg and Bob really like you they can't object. Come in the morning if you can manage, and stop on your way from the station and ask old Doctor Good to drop in for the great event in the afternoon—that will be better than going to his house. I tried to explain to Meg, but you know how excitable she is, and with Christmas coming, and the children's presents, and getting a fake Santa Claus for them, she just hasn't time to listen, and brother Bob is such a tease I haven't the nerve to tell him."

"Great hat!" gasped Ted, jumping up from the dining table, where he had been reading his last letter from Amy over his solitary meal. Hastily paying the waiter, he darted with all speed through the hotel corridor, up to his room. He had written to Amy asking if she couldn't manage to be married during the holidays, but he hadn't supposed she would consent. Now there was no time to be lost, for New York was fourteen hours away.

Ted rang for a messenger boy, telephoned to the office, and when the messenger boy arrived was throwing his necessary belongings into a suitcase. "Say, boy," he said to the liveried messenger, "I want you to go out and buy a— a wedding ring. Tomorrow being Christmas the stores will be closed and I can't get it then. All the stores are open tonight. And bring it to the W. & P. railroad station on the eastbound platform. Here's a dollar for you if you get it there by the eight-thirty—and be sure and buy the best one the jeweler has."

"What size, sir?" asked the boy, grinning. "That's so—they come in different sizes," responded Ted, excitedly wadding a handful of cravats into his suitcase. "Oh, medium size, any size, only hurry. And if you have time, get some jumping monkeys, and toy balloons, and tin kitchens and things—anything kids will like," he said, handing the boy two ten-dollar bills.

The next morning, after a night in a sleeping car, Ted Beverly was still breathless as he hurried—laden with half-wrapped tin kitchens and various other toys and a suitcase—from his taxi up the superstitious brownstone front of the home of his friend Bob Saunders. Bob was Amy's brother and Amy lived with him and Bob's wife, Meg, and little Bobbie and Peggy.

Mrs. Saunders—Meg—met him at the door.

"How do you do?" she said in the most matter-of-fact tone, just as if she had seen him the day before. "Do come in out of the cold. Bob will be so glad you've come. If those perfectly lovely things are for my children do let me hide them behind the piano. Oh, by the way," she added whispering, "you have just come in time. I was almost distracted. You always were so obliging. Bob often says that there wasn't a man in college who would help a friend out of a tight place the way you would. I expected the butcher boy would do it, but he's gone to one of those awful barbecues—whatever that is. I had offered him \$2 to do it. Now listen—Oh, here comes Amy and the children, and I told her to be sure to keep them out for two hours. I wonder why she came back so soon. Come, hurry upstairs before they see you, and bring your suitcase, please." Ted, although he didn't know whether he was intended to get the butcher boy away from a barbecue or simply to conceal his presence from the children, followed his hostess up to a third story guest room.

"Now, I will tell you," said Meg, closing the door and locking it behind her. "See, I brought your hat and gloves because I knew the children would suspect something if they saw them. I was expecting the butcher's boy—he's just about your build—to play Santa for the children. What you have to do is to dress up in these things—this red suit. It's very thin. I made it myself out of red cotton flannel so I think you can slip it on right over your coat, don't you? And this false face and this nice white beard and these galoshes. They may be hard to walk in, but they look more like Santa than regular shoes. Anyhow, I think they are just nice for Santa Claus."

"Is Amy well?" asked Ted rather pointedly. Meg simply nodded her head in the affirmative. She was still thinking about the galoshes. "It's funny how

things come in handy, even when you don't want them at the time, isn't it? I often say—but, if you'll excuse me I'll just leave you. I've a thousand things to do and Amy said something about going away this afternoon and having to pack so she won't be able to help me at all. There are some books if you want to read. Bob won't be back till twelve. I told him he would be much more help if he wasn't in the way so he has gone off to the club to smoke. We will have the Santa appearance just before dinner. You can say that you came in the skylight because there wasn't room for your pack in the chimney and that you walked downstairs. Then you can go back and take off your disguise and go out the front door and ring the bell. The children will think you have just come. You were awfully good to offer to do this for me." Meg was unlocking the door and leaving. "You may as well smoke if you want to," she said. "I am going to have those curtains cleaned next week anyway so it doesn't matter if they do smell smoky."

"You might tell Amy that I am here," said Ted.

"Oh, she doesn't mind the smoke," replied Meg. "Besides, she almost never comes into this room."

Ted felt himself defeated. For an hour and a half he remained in his solitary confinement and then Meg came again to see that he was properly dressed and to give him the cue for his descent.

"Wait till I get all the way down and then start," she told him.

"Does Amy know I am here?" Ted asked with unconcealed concern.

"Hasn't the remotest suspicion of it," answered Meg. "I think she must be expecting someone for she has telephoned twice to the station to know whether the trains from the West were late. Yours wasn't late, was it? But I haven't said anything about your being here."

"It's hard to navigate in these old boats," said Ted from under his beard. Peg was hanging a huge potato bag full of toys on Ted's back. "I put the presents you brought to Bobby and Peggy in with the rest," she said. "They are really lovely. Now remember you follow as soon as I get down stairs. We will all be in the drawing room."

Ted got safely down the first flight of stairs with his heavy pack thumping on the stairs as he came. He was halfway down the last flight when he caught a glimpse of Amy's pretty forehead and golden hair. He



"I Put the Presents You Brought in With the Rest."

craned his head, eager to see more, the pack caught for a second against the banisters, he missed his footing in the awkward galoshes, and with a desperate effort to regain his balance he grasped frantically at the wallpaper. The next thing he knew he was sprawling in a confused jumble of toys and red cotton flannel and white hair and sackings at the foot of the stairs.

"Blame those galoshes!" was his first unceremonious remark as he pulled himself out of the confusion. And there stood Amy, Bob and Mrs. Meg and Bobby and Peggy—all more or less wide-eyed and incredulous. "Santa fell downstairs; that's all. He isn't used to stairs, you know," said Meg with rare presence of mind anxious only to preserve her children's faith in the myth of Santa Claus. She hurriedly adjusted the false face that had flopped up in the fall.

"Poor old Santa," said little Peggy, softly patting his arm, and Bobby was eagerly examining the toys that had spilled from the pack.

"Great guns, it's Ted!" began Bob in an aside, but Meg clapped her hand over his mouth.

Meantime Amy was holding a whispered conversation with the confused Santa.

"Why, these are papa's galoshes," said Bobby.

"That's not Santa, at all, anyway," said little Peggy. "It's Mr. Ted Beverly what's going to be our uncle. He's come to marry our Aunt Amy, so there, and he's just dressed up like Santa so's to fool mamma and papa. Aunt Amy told us this morning he was going to marry her this afternoon. Wouldn't Santa laugh if he could see him?" (Copyright, McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)



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For 1915 the contests will include cowpeas, corn, cotton, grain sorghums, wheat, oats, and barley; hogs, beefs, hogs, and home and school gardens in town and country. The annual offer of \$10,000 in prizes will be issued about January 1, 1915. The Congress will lend every possible aid to the diversification campaign to be conducted next month by President Perry G. Holden of the International Harvester Company and his assistants, in connection with the commercial organizations and business men of the various counties.

The garden contest of the Congress is a new feature, and will be open both to schools and to individuals. Good garden furnishes about half the family living, it is hoped, and there will be 100,000 more gardens in Texas next year. The slogan of the campaign will be "A garden in every home."

Program for Busy Bee

Sunday, Jan. 3, 1915.
Leader, Charles Wilson.
Song.
Scripture reading, Acts 9-36.
Prayer.
Responsive reading, Psalm 96.
Memory verses, John 8, chapter 1, Luke 11, chapter 1, Luke 2, chapter 1.
God's care for his Missionaries.
Gladys Newton.
Recitation, Will Ernest Newton.
Recitation, Helen Lucy.
Song.
Benediction.

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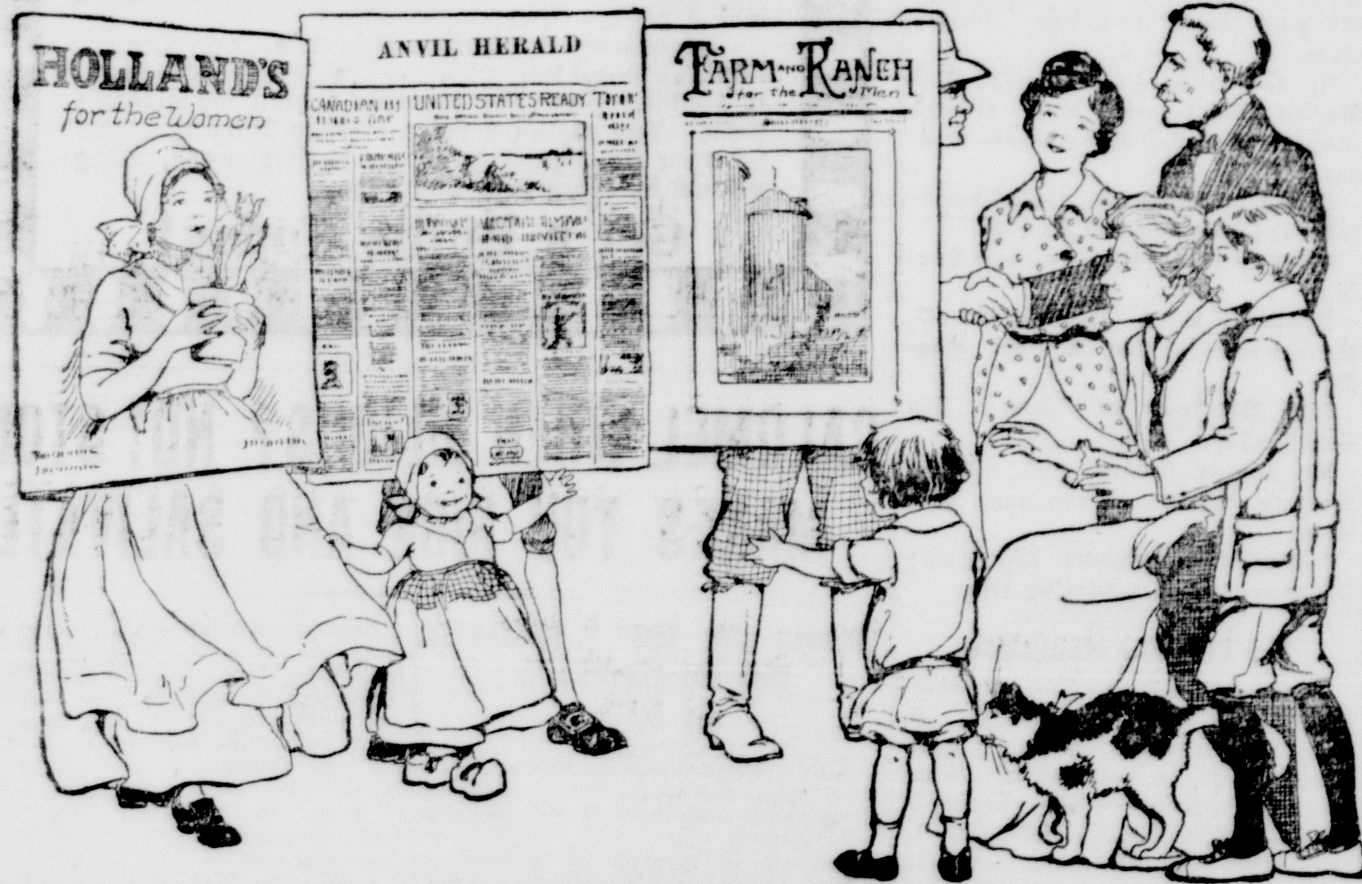
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